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Tom Portal, Division Oil, Gas and Mining

FROM:

John T. Blake

DATE:

July 8, 1985

SUBJECT:

ML 21202 OG&H, Enercor Experimental Pit

T12S, R25E, SLB&M, Sec. 32

On July 3, 1985, I visited the Enercor site on State land in Uintah county. You will recall that last year Enercor re-entered the site to stabilize deteriorating slopes and reseed the site. On my recent visit I observed that some slope erosion is again present along the northern edger of the site. I also observed that reseeding has been unsuccessfully where the surface is black from asphaltic sands. The straw mulch has blown away and germination of the seed did not occur in that area.

I ask for your further recommendation in this matter as to how we may successfully revegtate the site. It appears that a heavy mulch or some light colored earth material may need to be blended into the asphaltic sands surface to reduce soil temperatures and give seed a better chance to germinate. Your detailed consideration of this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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